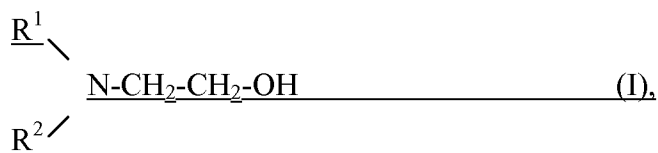


Listing of claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended). A chemical composition comprising:

- (a) from 0.005 to 3 wt.% of sclerotium gum;
- (b) from 0.005 to 3 wt.% of a copolymer selected from the group consisting of methyl vinyl ether/ maleic anhydride copolymer and acryloyldimethyltaurate vinylpyrrolidone copolymer;
- (c) an aqueous carrier; and
- (d) at least 0.5 wt.% of at least one ethanolamine derivative of formula I, or a topically acceptable salt thereof:



wherein in formula I, R¹ and R² independently represent hydrogen, C₃₋₆ cycloalkyl or C₁₋₆ alkyl, optionally substituted with hydroxy, methoxy, oxo or formyl-electrolyte, wherein the pH of the composition ranges from about 4.5 to about 8.

2. (Previously Presented). A chemical composition according to claim 1, wherein said copolymer is an ammonium salt of acryloyldimethyltaurate vinylpyrrolidone copolymer.

3. (Previously Presented). A chemical composition according to claim 1 comprising:

- from 0.005 to 1 wt. % of said sclerotium gum and
- from 0.005 to 1 wt. % of said copolymer.

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Cancelled).

Claim 6. (Cancelled).

7. (Previously Presented). A formulation according to claim 6 wherein the ethanolamine of formula I is a mixed glycolate/citrate salt of dimethylethanolamine.

Claim 8. (Cancelled).

Claim 9. (Cancelled).